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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Kimura, et al.)	Group Art Unit : 1637
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For	:	IMMOBILIZED NUCLEIC ACID)	
		AND METHOD FOR DETECTING)	
		NUCLEIC ACID)	
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Examiner	:	Siew, Jeffrey)	

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of U.S. Application No. 09/771,043. In response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2003, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.